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BEAUTY EVERYWHERE.

Somebody has said that beauty is not local, but purely a question of taste—that the eye forms its own idea of beauty, and so on; and now an European traveler discovers that Hindoo women are pleasing to look at. "They attract me most," he says, "by their graceful carriage, their picturesque drapery, consisting of a full skirt and a sort of burnous, which passes over the head, almost completely veiling the face. These vary in color, being sometimes bright blue, and pink, and yellow, the skirt often borders with a hem of some other color, often very gaudy; but the dark harmonizes it all. The most artistic to my mind is the deep indigo blue, but it is more rare in the northwest than in Southern India, where almost all the lower classes of women wear it. It is pleasant to watch the easy grace with which they walk, bearing round red earthern-ware or bright copper water-jars on their heads, steadying the burden with odd well-shaped small-wristed, dusky arm stretched up to its full length, and covered almost to the elbow, and sometimes above it, with numbers of bracelets. These are sometimes silver, but oftener plated metal or red and green lac. Their easy grace of motion is well worth copying. The pale-faced race may perhaps pride itself on its su[illegible] but these dusk daughters of the sun certainly outdo their favored sisters in the use they make of the outside of theirs. They carry everything on their heads—jars of water, baskets of vegetables, pieces of cloth, huge bundles of sugar-cane, fuel, anything and everything, leaving their hands free for any additional burden. They do not even carry their little black babies in their arms, but either balance them astride on their shoulders with their little hands on their mother's head, or else astride on one hip, encircled with one strong arm. They sometimes wear large nose rings through the left nostril, or else a small star-like nail passed through their nose."

WEDDED SOULS.

The married state is entered too hastily by many—entered before judgement becomes fairly ripened. Contracts of this kind should be made to last forever. There is a touching little story in the Apocrypha about a young man and woman who were just married and ready to start together on their untried career, and this was their first cry to heaven, when the wedding guests had gone, and they were left alone in their chamber, "Mercifully ordain that we may grow old together." If all young married folk would utter such a prayer, and strive to render its fulfillment possible, would not life be sweeter for many? Audubon, the great naturalist, married a good, sweet woman, and when she began to find him out, she found he would wander off a thousand miles in quest of a bird. She said "Amen!" and went with him, camped in the woods, lived in log huts and shanties on the frontier, anywhere to be with him. She entered into his enthusiasm, shared his labor, and counted all things but loss for the excellency of the glory of being Audubon's wife. When the children began to come to them he had to wander off alone; but he could not go into a valley so deep or a wilderness so distant that the light would not shine on him out of their windows. He knew just exactly where he should find her, and how she would look, for awhile, as Ruskins reminds us, the clouds are never twice alike, the sunshine is always familiar, and it was sunshine he saw when he looked homeward. She understood what it meant "grow aged together." Is there not a lesson for wives in this?

AGRICULTURAL.

AN IMPORTANT FACT IN GRAPE CULTURE.

Here we would mention a fact which has come within out observation and experience, which, if generally true, is of great importance. It is this:—that the third fruit bud from the base of the past year's cane throws our larger and better developed branches of grapes than either the first or second. In accordance with this hint we have adopted the plan of cutting the cane off at such length as to leave the third bud generally, and sometimes the fourth, when a good strong one, and then rubbing off the first [illegible] second bud, a[illegible] the thir[illegible] of the age and stre[illegible] vine. If the vines are strong and vigorous at three years, from two to three bunches of grapes may be allowed to mature on each without injury. The next year the number may be increased, and so on, increasing the quantity of fruit with the age of the vine.—[*Ex.*

PRINCIPLES GOVERNING ROTATION.

1. However well a soil may be prepared, it cannot long nourish crops of the same kind in succession without becoming exhausted.

2. Every crop impoverishes a soil more or less, accordingly as more or less is restored to the soil by the plant cultivated.

3. Perpendicular rooting plants and such as root horizontally ought to succeed each other.

4. Plants of the same kind should not return too frequently in rotation.

5. Two plants favorable to the growth of weeds ought not to succeed each other.

5. Such plants as eminently exhaust the soil, as the grains and oil plants, should only be sown when the land is in good heart.

7. In proportion as a soil is found to exhaust itself by successive crops, plants which are least exhausting should be cultivated.

Our farmers have only to keep these seven fundamental principles in mind in order to keep their land rich for all time.

PARIS GREEN AS AN INSECTICIDE.

The assumption of patent-venders, and those interested with them in the sale of insect-destroying compounds, that they are entitled to the credit of discovering the fact that Paris green is not a healthy diet for insects. and to the emolument of a monopoly of the sale of a well-known poison, is absurd as it is mercenary. The writer made use of this substance in destroying insects several years ago. Experiments have been made on cotton-insects for several years, and our correspondents have been encouraged to make and report them more carefully than ever the present year; and the unusual prevalence of the caterpillar has caused these trials to become more or less general, and we have reported results from nearly all the cotton counties of the United States, as a matter of course, we do not claim any special credit for the work, and we scout and deride any attempt to make pecuniary or professional capital out of this subject.—[*Ex.*

GEMS OF THOUGHT.

How near are two hearts when there is no deceit between them.

Riches should be admitted into our houses, but not into our hearts.

Moderation is the silken string running through the pearl chain of virtue.

It is a short step from modesty to humility; but a shorter one from vanity to [illegible] fraid to do right; he th[illegible]

The mart[illegible] far exceed the martyrs to virtue both in endurance and in number.

You cannot dream yourself into a character, you must hammer and forge yourself into one.

When prosperity was well mounted she let go the bridle and soon came tumbling out of the saddle.

If you have been tempted into evil, fly from it; it is not falling into water, but lying in it, that drowns.

The adage of "Charity begins at home" is often nothing but a handsome mask worn by deformed selfishness.

To be good requires labor. A man may be great by chance, but never wise nor good without taking pains for it.

Beware of the recoil of sinful indulgences; we may break our necks over the orange-peel of our own throwing down.

They declaim most against the world who have most sinned against it; as people generally abuse those they have injured.

How frequently does the human heart struggle with its feelings, and laugh in public at that which has made it bleed in private.

Conscience is the best friend we have. With it we may bid defiance to man; without it all the friends in the world can be of no use to us.

What calm delights, what ineffable joys are centered in the word "Home!" Friends are gathered around our fires, and many hearts rejoice with us; then we feel that the rough places of our wayfaring have been worn and smoothed away in the twilight of life, while the sunny spots which we have passed through grow brighter and more beautiful to memory's eyes.

Life's True Significance.

Deeper than all sense of seeing
Lies the secret source of being,
And the soul with truth agreeing
  Learns to live in thoughts and deeds;
For the life is more than raiment,
And the earth is pledged for payment
Unto man for all his needs.

Nature is our common mother,
Every living man our brother,
Therefore let us serve each other;
  Not to meet the law's behests,
But because through cheerful giving
We shall learn the art of living;
  And to live and serve is best.

Life is more than what man fancies!
Not a game of idle chances;
But it steadily advances
  Up the rugged height of time.
Till each complex web of trouble,
Every sad hope's broken bubble,
  Hath a meaning most sublime.

More of religion, less profession!
More of firmness, less concession;
More of freedom, less oppression,
  In the church and in the state;
More of life and less of fashion;
More of love, and less of passion;
  That will make us good and great.

When true hearts, divinely gifted,
From the chaff of error sifted,
On their crosses are uplifted,
  Shall the world most clearly see
That earth's greatest time of trial
Calls for holy self-denial,
  Calls on men to do and be.

But forever and forever
Let it be the soul's endeavor
Love from hatred to dissever,
  And in whatso'er we do,
Won by love's eternal beauty,
To our highest sense of duty
  Evermore be firm and true.

VIVA'S LANDLORD.

"Viva, dear, it's coming near the first of May!"

And gentle Mrs. Rayner la[illegible]
[illegible]able with anxious
"Yes, mamma I know," a trifle wearily.

Viva, a slender, pretty girl, with dark-brown hair gathered loosely behind shell-pink ears, and lips red as the cactus flower, met her mother's gaze with eyes bright with wistful thoughtfulness.

"And we must move, of course," cried a shrill young voice from the sofa, where sat Jessie, a volatile, overgrown schoolgirl, "because the front gate's off its hinges, and the roof leaks, and—"

"Yes, Jessie, we all know the reasons for moving, but give mamma an opportunity to suggest where."

"There's hardly much choice about that," the pale-faced little woman said sadly. "Some place where the rent would be moderate; but"—a sudden look of longing shining out of the pain-worn face—"I would give all the world, dear, to see the country again. I feel stifling here."

A gleam of quick determination came into Viva's velvety-brown eyes.

"And so you shall, mamma!" she said, emphatically.

"My darling, how?" in mild surprise.

"Well"—Viva puckered up her low, white brow, and tried to look wise and business-like—"you see we could get a cottage in some of the suburban villages at half what a city house would cost. Besides everything is so much cheaper in the country, and we could return to the city the coming winter. There!"

"But your pupils, Viva?"

"I could manage to give all the lessons in three days of the week—taking the train in, you know, is almost as cheap—and do work for Crumley the intervening days. Now, mamma!" triumphantly.

"It looks plausible at first sight, my pet, but I'm almost afraid to hope. Dear, dear! how that boy does wear out his clothes."

Viva came over and clasped two maroon merino arms around the invalid figure before her.

"Hope as much as you like, mamma darling," she cried, gayly; "for we'll watch the papers till we see a treasure advertised 'cheap'—in italics, you know—and then—"

The rest was too glorious to describe.

Three days later, Viva danced in, out of a blinding April shower, with rose-red cheeks and starry eyes.

"Here it is, mamma," she cried, enigmatically, with a hearty kiss and hug that almost demolished the small figure in the arm-chair. "Now listen!"

And from the open paper of that morning, she read aloud:

TO RENT—IN SUBURBAN VILLAGE, Twenty minutes ride from the city, an eight-room cottage, with garden attached. *Cheap*, to good tenant. Apply to Clifford Chandos, Room 12, 74 E—— St., City.

"I am sure this will suit—'cheap,' in alitics, as I said mamma. You will have our happy countryfied summer, after all," with an exultant little laugh. "Now, for a while, good-bye!"

"Where are you going, dear?"

"To see about this, mamma. Lessons are over—"

"Yes, but I do not quite like your going alone, Viva."

"What! An old-maid music teacher like me? I almost acquire the dignity of age in this voluminous waterproof and green veil. Green! Just think of it! I might as well have red hair and spectacles. My nervous old darling, I'll be back before you know I'm gone."

And with this decidedly sweeping, but scarcely possible assertion, she was out again under the rifting, drifting April sky, and going [illegible]yward as fast as [illegible]reet cars [illegible] city, up two [illegible] Viva.

A timid knock at Room 12.

"Come in!"

She turned the handle, and with the green veil well down, went in.

Two or three gentlemen, writing at baize-covered desks, looked up carelessly as she entered, and went on with their work.

A gentleman enveloped in clouds of cigar smoke, with feet considerably elevated above the level of his head, glanced toward the door, as the graceful figure in threadbare waterproof came timidly in. Down came the feet, out went the cigar, and Clifford Chandos, pushing a chair forward, bowed gravely, questioningly, to the lady before him.

"I—I called to inquire about a cottage advertised."

"The cottage? Oh, yes, to be sure! Will you please to be seated, and I will give you the particulars?"

And Viva, taking the proffered seat, listened while the tall, grave man, with straight, black brows and keen, kindly eyes, explained the terms with pleasant courtesy.

And when she lifted the obnoxious green veil a moment, to conclude some necessary arrangement, Clifford Chandos started ever so slightly as he saw the pretty, girlish face before him, as serene and dignified in its grave, business-like composure as though its owner were eight-and-fifty instead of eight-and-ten.

"When will you look at the place, Miss—"

"Rayner!" supplemented Viva.

"Miss Rayner. Shall we say to-morrow at one?"

"At two, if as convenient."

"Certainly. Two, if preferable."

Then he held the door open as courteously as though she wore sealskin and diamonds, while with a quiet grace she bowed slightly and passed from the room.

And Clifford Chandos went slowly back to his chair, a softer light in his keen gray eyes, and actually for once in his life forgot to relight his cigar.

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The day came at last when, from the stuffy city house, the Rayners moved to the pretty, roomy, raftered cottage, where honeysuckle and wild roses straggled at their own sweet will over roof and porch.

And Viva, coming home from the dusty city three evenings in the week, pale and tired, brightened and laughed her own low, happy laugh at the sight of her mother's face—grown young again—at the window, at the sound of Dick and Jessie's boisterous laughter.

It was curious all the repairing that cottage needed after they moved in. It was more curious that their quiet, handsome landlord should insist on supervising it all himself.

He grew into their simple lives in those days. Mrs. Rayner came to think the cheery voice better than any medicine, the children to shout lustily at sight of him, and Viva to listen for the sound of his firm footstep on the garden path.

One evening, when the soft May wind was swaying the "lady-fingers," as the children call them, over the door, Viva snatched up her hat and strolled down to the pretty rustic gate.

Just a little more tired than usual after a desperate struggle to teach an irritably obtuse pupil the mysteries of crotchets and quavers and demi-semiquavers.

She stood there, a fair, girlish figure in her soft white dress, a great bunch of blue meadow-violets at her slender throat and waist. The scented wind gently loosened the dark-brown hair and blew [illegible]ful drift of rose-bloom into the [illegible] Very pretty?

Well, Clifford Chandos thought so, at all events, as he came along the uneven country road with his light, firm footfall.

"Good evening, Miss Rayner!"

She turned suddenly, the faint flush deepening to carnation.

"Good evening, Mr. Chandos!"

I think a person can give one a very tolerable shake hands without holding one's fingers quite a minute. But apparently Mr. Chandos thought differently.

"Miss Rayner, will you come for a walk—just a little way down the road? There is a show place there I should like to have you see."

He asked pleadingly, hurriedly, as though fearful of a refusal.

"Is it far?"

"No," eagerly; "quite near. Besides Miss Viva, I have something to tell you—or, rather, ask you."

They were already strolling slowly on. She paused and looked up in vague alarm.

"To ask me, Mr. Chandos?"

"Yes. Viva, I want to ask you to leave Rose cottage."

Was he mad?

"To leave Rose cottage!" she repeated, blankly.

She stopped short, and looked up at him with brown, bewildered eyes.

"Are you not satisfied with us as tenants? What will mamma say?"

"I did not ask your mother to leave Rose cottage"—and his voice was trembling and low—"I asked you!"

"Me? Why, Mr. Chandos—"

She broke off abruptly as she saw the look in the eyes of the man regarding her. Such a look as would make more successful wooers in the world to-day—a look of passionate love and resolute determination to have her in spite of herself.

"Viva, my darling—my darling!" he cried, all the mischief in his voice swept away in his fiery earnestness, "won't you understand? I love you very dearly, Viva, and I want you for my wife!"

"Yes—I understand," she said, simply.

"I am not a rich man, dear, but I would give my life to make you happy!"

She looked up at him with bright, outshining eyes, and though her cheeks flamed hotly, she said, in her gentle, straightforward, girlish way:

"I would be honored to be your wife were you penniless, Mr. Chandos!"

"Mr. Chandos!" sternly. "Little wife, say 'Clifford!'"

And, her hand in his, she said it, simply:

"Clifford!"

In a short time they paused before a massive entrance gate and pretty gothic lodge.

"This is the great place of the neighborhood, Viva. Shall we go up and look at it?"

They paused at the great stone steps of an ideal country-seat, stretching, verandahed, porticoed, with huge stone lions on guard at the door.

"Come in, dear!" holding out his hand, with a curious smile.

"But the owner?"

"I go with his permission."

Then, passing the servant at the door, he led her through rooms where the mighty touch of Midas was softened and made perfect by the mightier touch o taste. Through a conservatory where birds and flowers were drowsily falling asleep, and marble statues gleamed palely forth from tropical, dusky nooks.

"It's a handsome place, dear, isn't it?" he asked, when once again they stood 'neath the darkening sky.

"Handsome? Oh, Clifford!" with an ecstatic, long-drawn breath.

"I hardly know how much rent I [illegible] charge you, little woman," he [illegible] him; "but [illegible]zically, d[illegible] we say—one t[illegible]ses per annum!"

"Yours!" she gasped. "You said you were not rich."

"Well, not Rothschild nor Vanderbilt, love, but," with a sudden change of tone, "richer than all the world, sweetheart, in you."

So, after all, Viva graces a home worthy of her. And Jessie sententiously remarks:

"'Twas well we moved."

And Viva nods and smiles as she slips her little sparkling hand into her husband's loving clasp.

SCOTCH VACCINATION.

Apropos of vaccination, says the London Truth, some members of a certain noble English household were desired to submit themselves to the ordeal of re-vaccination. The lymph was to be extracted from the arm of the infant son of the house. All to whom the operation was considered needful underwent the process quietly enough, until it came the cook's turn. This cook, who was a brawny Scotch woman, steadfastly and steadily refused on the ground that "no English bluid should enter her veins." After much expostulation and delay, she was vaccinated with lymph taken straight from a Scotch calf. Her arm alone took among those re-vaccinated, and with much triumph she asserts the fact as showing the unmistakable superiority of a "wee Scotch beastie over a noble English lord."

Newspaper trains start daily at 5:15 A. M. from four great railroad termini in London and deliver the metropolitan papers in all the large cities of England before noon. The circulation of the great dailies has been thereby increased. The *Telegraph* circulates 250,000 copies daily, the *Standard* 180,000, the *Daily News* 170,000, the *Times* 100,000.

MODERATION.

The man who avoids excesses of every description has a fair chance of retaining his eyesight until old age sets in. A time comes to every one when the physical powers begin to decay, and then unless the brain has been kept active and recipient by exercise, there is nothing left to live and the man perishes. We say that he dies of gout, or over-eating, or of heart disease, or of the failure of the particular organ which was the first to exhibit symptoms of the approaching end. In reality he has died of stupidity, artificially produced by neglect of the talents with which he was endowed. That which is true of the organism as a whole is true also of its parts; and the eyes, among others, are best treated by an amount of systematic use which preserves the tone of their muscles and the regularity of their blood supply. Acuteness of sight is aided by the attention bestowed upon objects within the range of vision. In people who cannot read, the sight is far from acute. I have even had reason to think that the wives of such men are indebted to their household needlework for the maintenance of a higher standard of vision than that of their husbands; and I have no doubt that idleness of the eyes, if I may use such an expression, is in every way hurtful to them, and that proper and varied employment is eminently conducive to their preservation in beauty and efficiency.

THEATRICAL NOVELTY.

Steele Mackaye, the New York theatrical manager, will have a new theater in that city next fall. During an interview with a reporter he was asked:

"What have you to say concerning the leading merits of the new theater? Will the elevated orchestra and double stage figure among its novelties?"

"The elevated orchestra will be introduced in a slightly changed form, and as for the double stage, I will develop in it Mr. W. G. Slack has eatest pains will be taken with every detail of the approaching work."

"How about the invisible chairs?"

"The statement concerning them did not contain a single visionary sentence,' said Mr. Mackaye, quietly, and evidently in all earnestness. "The invisible chair is not only fully conceived, but patented. When the spectators at the conclusion of the performance, arise to go they can cause the chair they have occupied to disappear by touching a simple spring. The work can be accomplished with extraordinary rapidity, and will, I believe, be one of the leading novelties of the day."

RESULTS OF EXCESS.

The great majority of the ills which affect us, and the diseases from which we suffer, causing us pains and shortening our lives, are the fruits of the excess we practice in feeding. Gout, rheumatism, the various forms of indigestion, and the many known and recognized results of excess or disorderly feeding, are only the coarser and more evident consequences of overfeeding. Underlying these and unnoticed by the victim of this common error are the multitudinous forms of organic disease and disturbance.

A POOR MEAL.

A woman at Cape Giradeau, Mo., who had suffered from a husband's neglect, traced him to a barroom, where he was playing cards with several companions. Setting a covered dish she held in he hands down upon the table, she said, "presuming, husband that you were too busy to come home to dinner, I have brought you yours," and departed. With a forced laugh he invited his friends to dine with him, but on removing the cover from the dish found only a slip of paper, on which was written: "I hope you enjoy your meal; it is the same your family have at home."

LAUGHABLE THINGS.

Motto of the good collector: Never put off till to-morrow what can be dunned to-day.

Never judge a man by the silk hat he wears. He may have just left an old slouch in its place.

Owing to the trichinæ prevailing in American pork, railway eating houses are using sole leather in making ham sandwiches.

Barnum's Zulu chief had the effrontery to ask for a week's leave of absence in order to go home and vote at the recent election in Indianapolis.

When a base-ball club is beaten without making a run, they are said to be "whitewashed," but we notice they generally look pretty black, all the same.

At dinner a host introduced to the favorable notice of the company a splendid truffled pheasant. "Isn't it a beauty?" he said. "Dr. So-and-so gave it to me—killed it himself." "Ah, what was he treating it for?" asked one of the guests.

He stood barefooted on the sea-shore in the moonlight, and turned his poetic ear to catch what the wild waves were saying; but when a wandering crab appropriated one of his toes for a toothpick, he keeled over and let out the other nine in a shadow dance that just made the gods scream.

Two Cincinnati ladies, who had lately returned from a trip abroad, were exchanging opinions in reference to the famous pictures they had seen. "Give me the Reconnaissance school of art," exclaimed one, "so full of sympathy of poetry; so different from the Pre-Rachelite." "It's very true what you say," observed the other, "but as for me, I just dote on the Dustledrop school, the paint is so much fresher."

After trying a score of glasses without finding anything to suit her, Miss Posigush was handed the twenty-first pair. "There," said the optician, "perhaps [illegible] astride of her precious nose. "Oh!" she exclaimed, "these are perfectly lovely. I can see just as well as with the naked eye." "So I suspected," was the laconic response of the dealer, as he deposited the two dollar bill in the drawer. The "lenses" were only window glass.

Boys who intend to be railroad men should early begin to look about them for some desirable method of expunging two or three fingers and one thumb. Most boys can do this without difficulty. Trying to pick a card out of a job press when it is in operation is a good way. Most job presses feel gloomy and unhappy until they have eaten the fingers off two or three boys. Then they go on with their work cheerfully and even hilariously.—*Puck.*

DEATH OF A DWARF.

Commodore Nutt, the famous dwarf, died at New York, recently, aged 37, after a two-months' illness of Bright's disease. His real name was George Washington Morrison, and he was a native of Manchester, N. H., where his parents are, or were a few years ago living and where he has brothers of the ordinary hight. The commodore's hight was but 43 inches, and it was a queer sight to him a child in size but a man in dress and features driving a farmer's wagon and contentedly spitting tobacco juice over the wheels.

NEW CIRCUS FEATURE.

Something new in the circus, in place of the familiar leaping over elephants, is thus described: The leaper personates an Arab pursued by a company of soldiery. They drive him up a hill and stand in a dozen ranks at its foot with at its foot with spears upraised. Then the Arab runs down the hill, jumps on the spring-board (which looks like a rock), and bounds with a somersault over the heads and spears of the enemy.

The teacher had grown eloquent and picturing to his little pupils the beauties of heaven, and finally asked: "What kind of little boys go to heaven?" "Dear ones," shouted the little fellow at the foot of the class.

Don't forget the birds when you ea celery or lettuce. Save the tender ends and greens, and if you dine at night place these in water to give the songsters for their morning refreshment.

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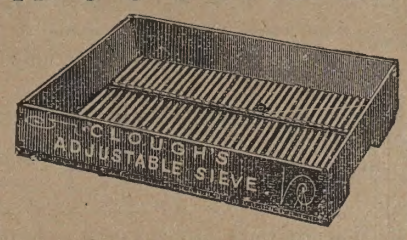

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Meredith Village, N. H., April 21, 1881.

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AND THEIR

INFANTS

WEAR THE

Boston Battery!

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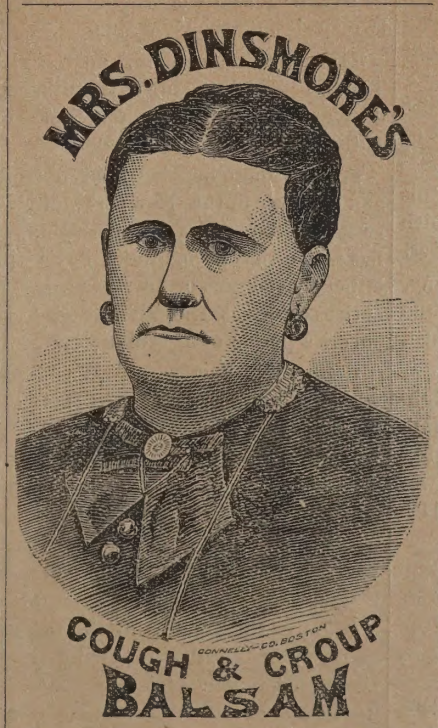

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Messrs. Morris & Ireland:

Gents:—On the 22d of November, 1879, our spool mill at this place, 50x60, two stories high, was totally consumed by fire, in which there was a large quantity of spool lumber, spools and blocks, all seasoned. The fire burned for 3 1-2 days. We had one of your safes in our mill and Tuesday morning following, eighty-four hours after the fire, it was too hot to handle, being covered with burning blocks. Some time after it was opened and the contents were in a good state of preservation, NOT A BOOK OR PAPER BEING DESTROYED. I am satisfied with your safes and have purchased another, and can cheerfully recommend them to any one wishing to secure their valuables from being destroyed by fire.

Yours truly, I. G. TEBITS.

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Corning, N. Y., Jan. 6, 1881.

Morris & Ireland, Boston, Mass.

Gentlemen:—On the night of the fire in our village, on 26th ult., I had in use one of your No. 5 Safes. I am pleased to inform you, after the floor gave way it fell into the cellar, into a heap of burning coal, where it roasted for 30 hours. Our citizens and myself gave up the hope of anything being saved in it. On being taken from the ruins I was happily disappointed to find my cash, vouchers and other articles of value perfectly preserved [illegible] your ne[illegible] which, No. 20, I have ordered of your agent to-day will afford absolute protection in any fire.

Truly yours, E. S. BARNES.

STILL AHEAD.

Rochester, N. H., Dec. 10, 1880.

Messrs. Morris & Ireland:

Dear Sirs:—In the disastrous fire which took place in this town Tuesday morning, Nov. 30, the Morris & Ireland safe in my store was subjected to a severe test, being thrown into the cellar, and a huge mass of debris fell upon it, and it was in the ruins some two days. I take pleasure in informing you that upon excavation it was opened without trouble and the contents were found to be uninjured. I cheerfully recommend your safes and should I want another I should certainly purchase one from you. Yours truly, C. W. HOWE.

Still Another.

FROM THE GREAT FIRE IN TROY, N. Y.

Troy, N. Y., Dec. 11, 1879.

Messrs. Morris & Ireland, Boston:

Gentlemen: After witnessing the charred books out of the safes opened, also one of my own which was another make, which was not in the heat of the fire like the No. 6 lately purchased of you, which was in the fire over 48 hours, and had to be continually played on during Monday night, as it was completely surrounded with burning muslins and other inflammable material. On opening it in the ruins Tuesday afternoon I was pleased to find the contents—books, papers and money—were all preserved in a remarkably good condition. With this proof of the fire qualities of your safe we have given your agent an order for one No. 8 safe. Yours respectfully,

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To the Editor of the NEWS:— The following are the arrivals at Capt. C. E. Pierce's house on Wicwas Lake at Meredith Centre: Mrs. Geo. W. Waite, Miss Mabel Waite and Master Charlie Waite of Boston Highlands; Mr. and Mrs. N. L. Phipps, Miss E. Gertie Phipps, Master Charles Louis, Ralph and Robert Phipps and Maid from Bunker Hill District, Boston, Mass.; Every Summer the people from our crowded cities look for comfort and the benefits derived from a season among the hill of the Granite State. Let them come! We extend to them a cordial welcome.

HOLDERNESS.

Josiah G. Thompson has sold his black mare.

We have a good market for everything that we have to sell at Meredith Village.

George Clement has a cow that he gave $50 dollars for, which gives 20 quarts of rich milk per day.

Samuel Berry, while fishing in Squam Lake the other day, caught a black turtle that weighed 39 1-2 pounds.

Mrs. Mudgett took her hoe and other tools on the road and worked out her highway tax. [illegible] or said [illegible] enjoyable time is expected. Remember, June 16th.

ASHLAND.

N. B. Whitten Esq., returned from Boston last Monday.

B. E. Plaisted found forty potato bugs on one hill of potatoes last Friday forenoon.

Willis F. Hardy returned to his duties in Hodgdon & Pollard's store the first of the present week.

There was quite a heavy frost in this place the morning of the 7th inst., which did considerable damage in many places.

G. M. True has returned from Albany, N. Y., where he had been attending the Law School from which he graduated a short time since.

The hearing on the petition for a highway from Levi Clough's store by Bailey's mill to the street leading past Thomas P. Woodman's residence, was adjourned from last Saturday to the 11th inst. P. M.

The Annual Convention of the Sunday schools of the Eastern part of Grafton County, will be held at Ashland on Wednesday June 15th. Rev. Messrs. Blakely, Noyes, Scott, Tilton, Kimball, Haines, Trow, Wood, Darling and Cook, are expected to address the convention. Prof. H. P. Warren and H. S. George re also expected to be present.

H. H. Shephard's double team has been busy for a week or more, drawing furniture from Ashland depot to the Asquam House in Holderness. This house is expected to be ready by Saturday the 11th inst., for the reception of guests. Some of them have arrived and are waiting at the Pemigewasset House, Plymouth, until preparations to receive them at the former house are completed.

MEREDITH CENTRE.

Last Sunday an unusually large number were observed at church.

Albert Pitman is building a large slaughter house near his barn.

On Decoration Day Daniel P. Smith lost a yearling bull by lightning.

Mr. S. Robinson and wife have returned from their visit at Pittsfield.

The Editor of The NEWS was here this morning—he is in cheerful spirits.

Charles. R. Swain is now making an addition to his barn to be occupied by swine.

Thomas Robinson is mostly confined to his home by a severe and protracted lameness.

The weather prognosticators think they feel the symptoms of an approaching rain storm.

Mr. Nathan Chase of Upper Gilmanton, is here to-day after his second lot of pigs from E. S. Robinson's.

Mr. Marshall and Mr. Dockham are busily employed in transporting slabwood from the Mill to Laconia.

The frost of Monday night did considerable injury in some localities. Mr. Sullivan Robinson on Tuesday planted over his beans.

Nathan Plummer with Eddie Cate and Charles Pickering are about completing for the season the work of sawing at the mills.

Mr Dias is hard at work in his shop shoeing horses, repairing carriages and doing general job work, where he is happy in waiting upon all patrons.

The ladies' Benevolent Circle will hold a strawberry festival at the vestry on Thursday evening of next week. All lovers of such occasions in the vicinity and [illegible] are invited to

STATE NEWS.

Wilder & Co., paper manufacturers of Ashland, are building a new mill 120 by 80 feet, with two wings 30 by 50 feet, all two stories, on the river side.

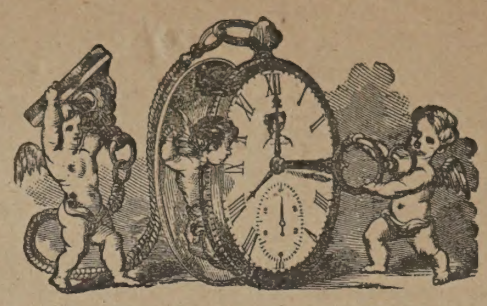
James Taylor, aged 13, only son of Thomas Taylor of Plymouth, was drowned Friday afternoon at East Haverhill, while bathing in a pond.

Francis Foote has been an operative and overseer in the Newport mills for twenty-seven years in succession, and has not in that period lost a day's time, either by sickness or for pleasure. His entire service at the spindle and jack covers a period of forty-five years.

George F. Fowler, of Washington, while adjusting a bolt in his shop, Wednesday, got his coat caught and wound up on the shaft. No one being near to assist him, he was held suspended until his clothes caught fire and burned so as to liberate him. He was badly burned about the head and neck.

Rev. M. V. B. Knox, pastor of the Methodist Episcopal church, of Claremont, publishes the following in the Claremont *Eagle*: "A man claiming to have an indorsement from me is using that and my name, forged for that purpose, to obtain money. He has operated in Hooksett under the name of Hewes; at Franklin under the name of Burnham or Roberts, and has other aliases. At Hooksett he represented himself as studying theology. He is a graceless scamp, totally unknown to me, save by his rascalities. Will the New Hampshire papers send the warning around."

P. A. ELLSWORTH,



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Beef, Pork, Mutton, Poultry Corned Beef, Sal Lard, Canned Fruits, Vegetables, Beans, Etc.

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Pillsbury's Best,	9.38
Best St. Louis,	7.63
Good "	7.38
"City Mills,"	6.63

5 per cent discount for cash on delivery.

Corn, per bag, 112 lbs,	$1.35
Meal, " 100 lbs,	1.25

Molasses, 40 cts. per gal. Tea, 30 cts. per lb. Tobacco, 40 cts. a hand, and a large stock of

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PROVISIONS,

Canned Goods, Crockery, Glass and Stone Ware, Sole Leather, etc. etc., at correspondingly low figures.

Without making further quotations at this time, we will say that *we wont be undersold by any man in Meredith.*

Those in want of any of the above named goods will consult their own interest by calling at French's before purchasing elsewhere, as you will always find us at the bottom on prices, and at the top in quality of goods.

Meredith, May 9, 1881.

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Respectfully,

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MEREDITH AND VICINITY.

Thursday, June 9, 1881.

CHURCHES.

Congregational.—Services at 11 A. M., and 5:30 P. M., Sundays; Prayer Meeting every Thursday evening, at 7 o'clock. Rev. G. I. Bard, Pastor.

Baptist.—Services at 11 A. M., and 5:30 P. M. Sundays; Prayer Meeting every Thursday evening, at 7 o'clock. Rev. James Graham, Pastor.

Freewill Baptist.—Services at 11 A. M., and 5:30 P. M. Prayer Meeting every Thursday evening, a 7 o'clock. Rev. N. S. Palmeter, Pastor.

SOCIETIES.

Chocorua Lodge, No. 83. F. & A. M
Date of meetings for 1881:—Jan. 12, Feb. 9, Mar. 9, April 13, May 11, June 8, July 6, Aug. 3, Sept. 7, Oct. 5, Nov. 2 and 30.
Charles D. Meloon, W. M,, George W. Cilley, Sec.

Belknap Lodge, No. 14, I. O. O F.
Meetings every Monday evening.
B. R. Dearborn, N. G., F. P. Carey, S.

Geo. S. Cram Post, G. A. R., No. 54.
Meetings every Friday evening, at 7:30 o'clock.
Capt. J. W. LANG, Jr., Commander.
C. C. Whittier, Adjutant.

Waukewan Lodge, No. 9, I. O. G. T.
Meetings every Tuesday evening.

Blue Ribbon Club.
Meetings every Sunday evening, at 7:30 o'clock.
James H. Plaisted, Pres't.

B. C. & M. R. R.

Trains leave Meredith Village, as follows:
Downward.—3:46, 8:18 A. M., 1:57, 6:05 P. M.
Upward—6:50 A. M. 12:27, 12:40, 4:45, 11:01 P. M.
J. A. Dodge, Gen'l Manager

Meredith Centre Mail

Leaves Meredith Centre each day (Sundays excepted,) at 11 A. M.
Returning, leave Meredith Village at 1 P. M.
John L. Glidden

W. J. Collins is making an addition to his buildings.

Strawberries, Bananas, Oranges, etc., at Pendexter's.

The State Fair is to b[illegible] nia, to commenc[illegible]

Mr. W. G. Slack has gone to his home in Wells River, Vt., on a vacation.

E. W. Prescott is putting up an addition to his buildings on Plymouth St.

Mansfield and Quimby have been taking a week's vacation down the lake.

J. M. Bedee returned from his Western trip yesterday. He reports a very pleasant journey.

The first ripe field strawberries our attention has been called to this season, were picked by Geo. K. James, Jr., this morning.

Mr. Charles M. Moody leaves this week for Centre Harbor, at which place he will resume his duties as head waiter at the Senter House.

We noticed our popular expressman, Ed. Cox, en-route for Sandwich last Saturday with a fine looking four-in-hand team from his stable.

Charlie Morrison severely lacerated the ball of his left thumb Tuesday while engaged in a little jackknife carpentering on the successor to the "Orio."

A few members of the Mechanics' Band are talking of re-organizing and forming a Sextette Band, as they claim a full band cannot be sustained in this place.

B. F. Shephard, the barber, has vacated his rooms in Sturtevant's building, formerly occupied by him as a barber's shop, and goes to Centre Harbor for the season.

Mr. Joseph Roberts, an employee of Wadleigh's mill, had the end of the thumb on his right hand badly mutilated by being caught in the matcher, on Monday afternoon.

The box factory of Geo. H. Clark & Co., and the piano shop of J. A. Lang, have been shut down for a short time owing to a break in the machinery connected with the water wheel.

Dr. Mason and wife have moved their household goods to the Towle Farm, where they will spend the season. The store will remain in charge of C. W. Morrison who is enjoying a very liberal patronage.

Charles Sceggel has been hard at work trying to perfect a hand propeller in his boat. The first trial trip was unsuccessful, but demonstrates the possibility of success, by the aid of a few improvements.

The heavy frost on Monday night did considerable damage in the fields of our farmers, especially in the low lands. We learn that the fruit trees in some localities were badly injured, the buds having been seriously blighted.

A petition has been circulated in this vicinity by a party from Lake Village to be presented to the legislature, praying for the grant of the Lake Shore Railroad from Alton Bay to the Weirs. It has received quite a number of signatures, and was left at Bickford & Roberts' store where all who wish can have an opportunity of signing.

F. B. Wilson, our popular barber, is now left alone to conduct the business in this place. Fred is a good workman and with a man to help him, which we understand he is to have, that branch of business will be well sustained. He has recently started out under new prospects, in which we wish him a happy journey.

There was a slight disturbance near Main St. bridge last Saturday evening, caused by two of our citizens indulging in a quarrel about a pet rabbit, which resulted in a grapple and the contact of the fist of one and the mouth of the other to the result of no serious consequences. The timely interference of our police force put a stop to further proceedings, which might have resulted in an affray very rare and unbecoming to our quiet little village.

Geo. S. Cram Post, No. 54, G. A. R., [illegible] this place, are to have a moonlight [illegible] on Saturday next on the excursion on Saturday next, on the steamer "Gracie," with barge, in management of Capt. Bickford. The steamer will leave the wharf at 6:30 P. M., for a trip among the islands, accompanied by Story's Brass Band and Orchestra. As tickets for the round trip are placed at the low price of 30 cents, no one need stay at home for want of an evening's amusement on the Lake. Do not fail to avail yourselves of the opportunity to enjoy the first excursion of the season, on the fast running yacht "Gracie."

The Boston Comedy Company, who have been playing in this place the last three nights to fair houses, will give their fourth and last entertainment this evening, when they will present the well-known temperance drama, "Ten Nights in a Bar-Room," cast to the full strength of the company. This company have a standing reputation as a first-class dramatic troupe, and their excellent performances are well patronized in nearly every town. The "Ticket-of-Leave Man," which was played last evening, many times "brought down the house" by the excellent manner in which it was rendered. A full house to-night. Go early and secure your seats.

We have no lengthy story to relate or no promises to make of what great feats will be performed in connection with our paper in the future. As life is so uncertain and future plans are so liable to frustration, we think it advisable to treat more of the past and present, and trust to the future as best we may, for great developments. We will now speak of the past, and that as only relates to the short space of time since our last issue, during which we have received a large addition of new names to our subscription list, in fact, many more than any corresponding length of time since our paper was established. We congratulate our friends on the success of our enterprise, of which we had many doubts at its start, and we hope in the future to so conduct and improve our paper as its growing pathway will demand, making no promises but what we can and will, Providence permitting, carry out.

Mr. C. S. Wiggin and Dr. Geo. S. Bartlett have purchased and taken possession of the stock and fixtures belonging to the Drug store of M. C. Brown. Mr W., as is well known by most of our citizens, is a native of this place, built, and owns the block in which the store is located and established the business in its present location. He afterwards sold the stock to W. E. S. Foss, who secured the services of Dr. Bartlett who has earned a merited reputation as an able pharmacist, as well as a genial and obliging salesman. These gentlemen, for the past two or three years, have been associated in the business at Plymouth, but, like nearly all of Meredith's former citizens enjoy a return to their old home. The store is to be thoroughly renovated and supplied with modern styled fixtures etc., and be made to present a most attractive appearance. We wish these gentlemen success in their new enterprise.

CENTRE HARBOR.

Both the Senter House and Moulton House have been thoroughly renovated for the coming season.

B. F. Shephard, formerly of Meredith, has opened a barber's shop in R. A. R. Benson's house, where he will remain for the season.

Men have been busy repairing the Mt. Washington wharf.

The steamer Lady of the Lake commenced her noon trips to this place last week Wednesday.

About forty of the Lake Company arrived at the Senter House by steamer Lady of the Lake, yesterday on their annual excursion. The Messrs Huntress served a most excellent dinner, and all report a most pleasurable visit.

O. S. Piper is stoning a cellar over which to erect a house. It is located near the one now occupied by Wm. Cox.

MARRIAGES.

In Meredith, June 8th, by Rev. James Graham, Mr. E. J. Huse of Newburyport, Mass., and Miss Ida L. Fernald of Meredith.

In Meredith, June 5th, by Rev. J. Erskine, Mr. Nathan B. Cox and Miss Fanny C. Batchelder, both of Holderness.

STATE OF NEW HAMPSHIRE. BELKNAP SS.

To Fannie P. Kelly now Brown, of Meredith in said County, under the guardianship of John Neally and all others concerned: You are hereby notified that the said John Neally will exhibit his account of his said guardianship, at a Court of Probate to be held at Laconia, in said County, on the third Tuesday of June next, when and where you may be heard on said account. And it is ordered that said Guardian give notice, by causing this citation and order thereon to be published three weeks successively in the Meredith Weekly News, printed at Meredith, in said County, the last publication whereof to be at least one week before said Court. Given at Laconia, in said county, this 19th day of April A. D., 1881.

S. W. ROLLINS, Judge of Probate.

LOST!

A Gents' Bosom Pin. The finder will be suitably rewarded by leaving the same at this office.

Cane Seat Chairs

RESEATED.

Apply to Mrs. L. K. ROBY.

AUCTION.

Will be sold at public auction at my house in Meredith, N. H., on the 25th day of June, 1881, at ten o'clock A. M., the following described property, viz: One brown colt four years old, to satisfy my claim on same for boarding and keeping. Dated at Meredith, N. H., this 26th day of May, 1881.

C. W. NEAL.

A CARD TO THE LADIES.

Having just returned from New York and Boston with an invoice of

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Please call and examine our stock before purchasing elsewhere; and rest assured that we are not to be undersold.

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Yours Respectfully,

F. L. MASON, M. D.

BE PLEASANT.

No trait of character is more valuable in a female than the possession of a sweet temper. Home can never be made happy without it. It is like the flowers that spring up in our pathway, reviving and cheering us. Let a man go home at night, wearied and worn out by the toils of the day, and how soothing is a word dictated by a good disposition. It is sunshine falling upon his heart. He is happy, and the cares of life are forgotten. A sweet temper has a soothing influence over the minds of a whole family. Where it is found in a wife and mother you observe kindness and love predominate over the bad feelings of a natural heart. Smiles, kind words and looks characterize the children, and peace and love have their dwelling there. Study, then, to acquire and retain a sweet temper. It is more valuable than gold; it captivates more than beauty, and to the close of life it retains all its freshness and power.

How the Australian Savages Marry.

Mr. Howitt's account of the Kurnai people, just north of Bass' straits, introduces us to a new set of marriage customs. Here the rule is elopement. The lad and girl make love to one another without the knowledge of her parents, and run away together. The bride's family, furious, go in quest of her; and if caught and brought back she will be severely punished. Her mother and brother will beat her, and her father even spear her through the legs. As for the husband, whenever he returns he has to fight his wife's male relatives. The pair may have to elope two or three times, with new pursuit and fighting, till at last her family grow tired of objecting, and the mother will say: "Oh! it's all right; better let him have her." The wonderful thing is that this is not exceptional, but the regular marriage rite of the tribe. The anger is not real, and when the people are charged with [illegible] they answer that it is not intended as cruelty, but simply to follow an ancestral custom. The consequence of this Kurnai custom is a change toward civilized ideas of marriage; it is no longer a shifting union between one group or tribe and another, but a real pairing by mutual choice of man nd wife, and to some extent male descent comes in with it.

The Kurnal elopement marr age shows another interesting feature. Though it is condoned at last by the wife's family, the man is never allowed to look at, speak to, or live in the same camp with his wife's mother. This is the best fact yet produced in favor of the explanation of the custom of avoiding parents-in-law, as meaning that the act of taking their daughter, though practically allowed, cannot be openly agreed to by their acknowledging him So deeply rooted is this custom in Australia that it retains its hold on natives under missionary influence.

A Brabrolung, who is a member of the Church of England, was one day talking to me. His wife's mother was passing at some little distance and I called to her. Suffering at the time from cold, I could not make her hear, and said to the Brabolung: "Call Mary, I want to speak to her." He took no notice whatever, but looked vacantly on the ground. I spoke to him again sharply, but still without his responding. I then said: "What do you mean by taking no notice of me?" He thereupon called out to his wife's brother, who was at a little distance: "Tell Mary Mr. Howitt wants her," and turning to me, continued, reproachfully: "You know very well I could not do that—you know I cannot speak to that old woman."

Mississippi has 479,000 white and 652,000 colored inhabitants.

LEAD PENCILS;

HOW MADE AND MATERIALS USED.

"Papa, what kind of wood do they make lead pencils of?" asked Charlie Greaves, as he looked up from the paper upon which he was drawing an outline map. "From the wood of the red cedar," replied Mr. Greaves, as he took a seat near his son. "It is principally obtained from Florida. It is first thoroughly seasoned, sawed into strips, dried again, then cut to the proper size for pencils. They are grooved by machinery, the leads are glued into the grooves, and the other half of the wood glued on. It is a little odd that, though we call them lead pencils, there is not a particle of lead in them."

Master Charlie looked keenly at his father, under a suspicion that he was quizzing him.

"Why, papa, I can see the lead," he affirmed. "And what else makes it mark?"

"Red lead is an oxide of lead, white lead is a carbonate of lead, but the black lead used in pencils is neither a metal nor a compound of metal. It is plumbago or graphite, one of the forms of carbon. The graphite is ground fine, calcined, and mixed with pure clay then baked in a crucible. The different proportions of graphite and clay produce the various grades of pencils. Lead intended for very fine work, such as architectural drawings, are reheated after the baking, and immersed in melted wax or suet."

"Red cedar must be a very light wood," surmised Charlie as he balanced his pencil on his fingers. "Where does rosewood get its name from? Its color is not rose color." "Older persons than you have been puzzled over the matter," replied Mr. Greaves. "When the tree is first cut the fresh wood possesses a very strong rose-like fragrance. Hence the name was suggested by the odor, and not by the color."

"Where are the trees found?"

"In South America, and in the East Indies and neighboring islands. Some of the trees grow so large that planks four feet broad and ten feet long are cut from them. These broad planks are principally used to make the tops of pianofortes. When growing in the forest the rose tree is remarkable for its beauty."

HOW A BULLY WORKS.

There is always one bully in every team, who gets all the choice bits that are stolen by the others, and generally manages to keep fat, no matter how short they are of provisions. He waits for the others to make the raid, and then stands on the outside to take it away from them. These bullies are in several grades. There is the chief, of whom all are afraid, and then there is the next in rank, of whom all are afraid but the chief; a third, of whom all are afraid but the two, and so on down. Sometimes the food is cut into small pieces and thrown out upon the ice for all to help themselves, and then there is a rough-and-tumble fight, and snarling and growling, as if a whole cage of hyenas had broken loose. But here the bullies have no advantage; indeed, the advantage is with the small, lively fellows that slip in and get the meat while the big ones are fighting. When a dog manages to steal a piece of meat he has a lively time of it, for soon every dog in camp is after him, and he has to eat it on the run, if at all, headed off at every turn by one of the bullies, and whining and choking at the same time. It certainly is one of the most comical exhibitions ever witnessed.—*Scribner.*

LIVING WELL.

PRESIDENT GARDNER VIEWS ABOUT IT.

"When a man axes me who libs nex' doah," began the old man as the triangle sounded to order, "I answer him, Brown or Jones or White, or whatever the name may be; but when he goes beyand dat an' axes what salary de man airns, how often his wife changes bonnets an' how dey make seben dollars a week go furder dan I kin fo'teen, I become a clam. I has no business to know, an' when I do know I won't tell. I used to have some curiosity in dis direcshun, but I has got ober it of late y'ars. when I know dat a sartin man receivin a salary of $12 a week kin give parties, hire carriages an dress his wife in silks, it makes me glum. Dat is, it used to. I used to wonder why I coldn't do de same thing on de same money, but I nebber could."

"When de ole woman used to tell me dat sartin women had new silks, new hats, new close an' new shoes once a month the y'ar roun', an' we habin' to lib clus on de same money, it made me mad. Dat is, it used to. When I saw men dat owed for deir washin' struttin' aroun' like lords, while I had to work seben days in a week an' pay my debts, I felt like smashin' frew de sidewalk. But I got ober all dis. When I meet a woman who kin dress like a banker's wife on de $10 or 12 per week paid her husband, I doan' 'low myself to even fink about it. When I see a man buyin' twenty-cent cigars, sportin' a cane and takin' champagne, while his chillen at home am bar'fut, I try to believe dat it am all right. When a lady with $300 worf of close on axes me to do a job of whitewashin' in a parlor whar de bes' pictur's come from a tea store an' de bes' cha'r am under chattel mortgage, I doan' stop to wonder who she thinks she am foolin'.

"Nayburs ob mine who owe all de butchers widin a circle ob a mile kin pay fo' dollahs cash fur a liberty rig on Sunday an' I shan't criticise. Wives ma[illegible] go shoppin ebery day in de week an' [illegible] parties ebery night, an' my ole woman will keep the cabin jist de same. Since we quit wonderin' and speculatin' ober dese fings we feel much better. we know fur a fact jist how fur we kin make money go. If odder folks kin lib like lords on a salary of $600 a y'ar, it's a streak of good luck an' none of our bizness. My advice to you am to let such fings pass. Dey are mysteries wid which we have no bizness, an de mo' you ponder ober dem de less you will injoy what you hab honestly airned by hard work an' saved by good economy."

TERRIBLE DEATH.

An old farmer from Porter Cross county, Mich., was killed near South Bend, Ind. He was camping out with his family on their way West. After dinner he was leading a stallion to water, when it attacked him and threw him to the ground, and literally stamped him to death. It also bit great chunks of flesh from the poor man's face until he was unrecognizable.

NIHILIST SYSTEM.

As for the nihilists, despite every investigation, all that is known—and this is the only re-assuring thing—is that they have no accomplices in the army of the real nobility nor among the peasantry. They are almost exclusively recruited among the declassos, especially the young men, whose unsatisfied ambition stimuates a fanaticism carried to an incredible pitch. Thus at some previous executions the culprits scandalized the peasants by their irreligion. The watchword was given, and at the last executions the culprits showed respect for the cross in their last moments. This was obedience in the highest degree.

It will be difficult to overcome nihilism, because it is organized in small groups connected only by one member with each other, so that even those enrolled do not know members of other branches. Thus on the day of the assassination there can be no doubt that the famous mine which was discovered, was unconnected with the group that performed the assassination, and that its purpose was not to blow up the emperor but to stop his carriage and afford others time to assassinate him, after the fashion of the haycart which stopped Gen Prim's carriage at Madrid. For instance, it is known that every nihilist is now obliged not to absent himself from his dwelling more than twelve hours at a time when that interval is exceeded, his accomplices go up to his lodgings and burn everything that might compromise him. Thus a recently captured nihilist refused to give his name and address. Then, after a certain time, he consulted his watch and gave his name and address. The police hurried to his lodgings and found that two hours before persons had been there and burnt all his papers—*London Times.*

WOMAN'S MISTAKES.

Perhaps one of the commonest mistakes is for a woman who has a fin[illegible] it too long uncovered. [illegible] easy to fix, as some [illegible] faithy women [illegible] fain young very long, when, if they are robustly made. the throat becomes too muscular; and if they be soft and delicate, the throat loses its soft roundness, and becomes wrinkled and less beautiful in color. But the changes in color occur earlier, and are often no loss in beauty, only a development. The young girl's red hair becomes auburn; the golden, brown; the fair skin mellows; the faint pink flush gives way to a clear pallor; the roseate skin takes on a robust color; and all these changes demand changes in the dress. Let a woman try to see herself without prejudice, and not dress upon a delusion; nothing is more dangerous.

Conversation between two masons' assistants (Anglice hod-carriers). Patrick: "Phat's the news from Oireland, Mike?" Michael: "Worrus and worrus! The dirthy blaguards are given us iverything we axes for!" Both: "Bad cess to the loikes av 'em, the thaving opprissors!"

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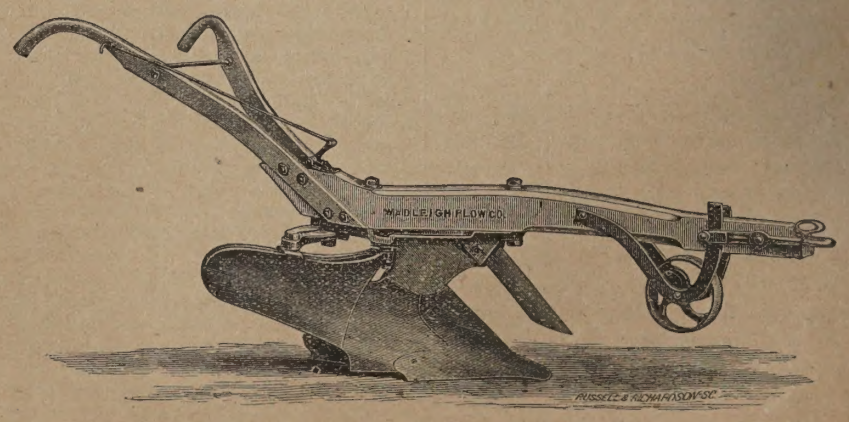

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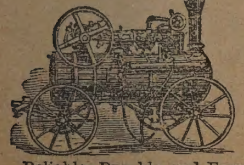

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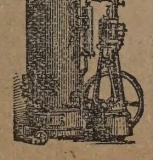

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[Rockford (Ill.) Register.]

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[Chambersburgh (Pa.) Herald.]

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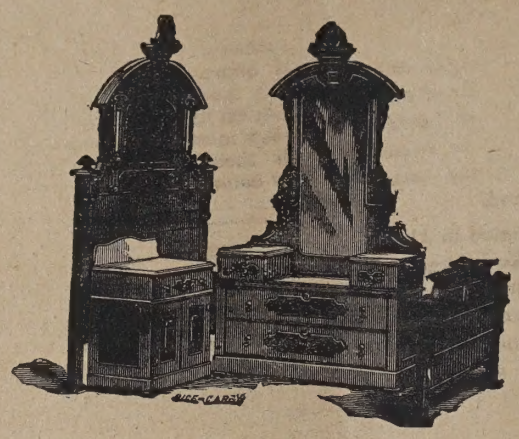

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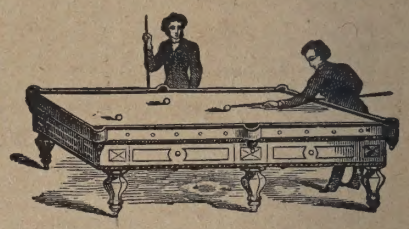

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